1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 January 2015 Grand Jury CR15-0071 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CR No. 15-11 12 Plaintiff, <u>INDICTMENT</u> 13 [18 U.S.C. § 371: Conspiracy to Engage in the Business of Dealing 14 MIGUEL VICTORIO and in Firearms Without a License; JESSE PEREZ, 18 U.S.C. § 922(a)(1)(A): Engaging 15 in the Business of Dealing in Defendants. Firearms Without a License; 16 18 U.S.C. § 2(a): Aiding and Abetting; 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1): 17 Felon in Possession of Firearm and Ammunition; 21 U.S.C. 18 §§ 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(C): Distribution of Cocaine Base in 19 the Form of Crack Cocaine] 20 21 The Grand Jury charges: 22 COUNT ONE 23 [18 U.S.C. § 371] 24 OBJECTS OF THE CONSPIRACY Beginning on a date unknown, and continuing to on or about June 25 6, 2012, in Los Angeles County, within the Central District of 26 California, and elsewhere, defendants MIGUEL VICTORIO and JESSE PEREZ 27

and others known and unknown to the Grand Jury, conspired and agreed

with each other to knowingly and intentionally engage in the business of dealing in firearms without a license, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(a)(1)(A).

B. MEANS BY WHICH THE OBJECT OF THE CONSPIRACY WAS TO BE ACCOMPLISHED

The object of the conspiracy was to be accomplished, in substance, as follows:

- 1. Defendant PEREZ would negotiate and broker the unlicensed sale of firearms to a person whom defendant PEREZ believed was a firearms customer, but who in fact was a confidential informant working with law enforcement ("the CI").
- 2. Defendant VICTORIO would communicate and meet with the CI, whom defendant VICTORIO also believed was a firearms customer, and carry out the unlicensed sale of firearms to the CI.

C. OVERT ACTS

In furtherance of the conspiracy and to accomplish its object, defendants VICTORIO and PEREZ, and others known and unknown to the Grand Jury, committed the following overt acts, among others, within the Central District of California and elsewhere:

- 1. On November 10, 2011, defendant PEREZ met with the CI and agreed to inquire with a co-conspirator about the availability of firearms for sale to the CI.
- 2. On April 22, 2012, defendant PEREZ sent a text message to the CI that contained an image of a rifle that defendant PEREZ offered to arrange to sell to the CI.
- 3. On April 23, 2012, defendant PEREZ agreed to sell a MAC-12 firearm with two magazines of ammunition in exchange for \$1,200.

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- On April 23, 2012, defendant PEREZ sent a text message to the CI that contained an image of the firearm that defendant PEREZ offered to sell to the CI.
- On April 23, 2012, defendant PEREZ arranged to meet the CI later that day, and defendant PEREZ offered to include a .380 caliber handgun in the transaction for an additional \$350.
- On April 24, 2012, defendants VICTORIO and PEREZ met with 6. the CI and provided to the CI a Davis Industries P380 .380 caliber pistol, bearing serial number AP494803, and a Leinad PM12 .380 caliber fully automatic machine gun pistol, bearing an obliterated serial number, in exchange for \$1,500.
- On April 24, 2012, defendant PEREZ informed the CI that defendant PEREZ would contact the CI about the availability of additional AK-47s for sale to the CI.
- On May 3, 2012, defendants VICTORIO and PEREZ met with the 8. CI, during which defendant VICTORIO agreed to sell a Mini-14 rifle and an AK-47 firearm to the CI in exchange for \$2,800.
- 9. On May 3, 2012, defendant PEREZ contacted the CI to coordinate a meeting to complete the agreed-upon firearms transaction.
- On May 3, 2012, defendant VICTORIO met with the CI and provided to the CI a Ruger Mini-14 semi-automatic rifle, bearing serial number 186-99075, and a Norinco NHM-917 .62 caliber semiautomatic rifle, bearing serial number 9311036, in exchange for \$2,800.
- On May 31, 2012, defendant VICTORIO contacted the CI to coordinate the sale of a .357 caliber revolver and an SKS rifle in exchange for \$900.

12. On June 5, 2012, defendant VICTORIO spoke with the CI to coordinate a meeting to complete the agreed-upon firearms transaction.

- 13. On June 6, 2012, defendants VICTORIO and PEREZ met with the CI, and defendant VICTORIO provided to the CI a Ruger GP-100 revolver, bearing serial number 173-43908, and one Norinco SKS 7.62 caliber rifle, bearing serial number 240109187, in exchange for \$1,300.
- 14. On June 6, 2012, defendant VICTORIO informed the CI that defendant VICTORIO had an AK-47 firearm available for \$600.

COUNT TWO

[18 U.S.C. §§ 922(a)(1)(A); 2(a)]

On or about the following dates, in Los Angeles County, within the Central District of California, defendants MIGUEL VICTORIO and JESSE PEREZ, each aiding and abetting the other, and each not being a licensed importer, licensed manufacturer, or licensed dealer, knowingly and willfully engaged in the business of importing, manufacturing, and dealing in the following firearms:

DATE	FIREARMS	
April 24, 2012	One Davis Industries P380 .380 caliber pistol, bearing serial number AP494803; and one Leinad PM12 .380 caliber fully automatic machine gun pistol, bearing an obliterated serial number	
May 3, 2012	One Ruger Mini-14 semi-automatic rifle, bearing serial number 186-99075; and one Norinco NHM-917 .62 caliber semi-automatic rifle, bearing serial number 9311036	
June 6, 2012	One Ruger GP-100 revolver, bearing serial number 173-43908; and one Norinco SKS 7.62 caliber rifle, bearing serial number 240109187	

COUNTS THREE through FIVE

[18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1)]

On or about the following dates, in Los Angeles County, within

the Central District of California, defendant MIGUEL VICTORIO ("VICTORIO") knowingly possessed the following firearms and ammunition, each in and affecting interstate commerce.

Such possession occurred after defendant VICTORIO had been convicted of a felony offense punishable by a term of imprisonment exceeding one year, namely, Sale or Offer to Sell a Controlled Substance, in violation of California Health and Safety Code Section 11379(a), in the Superior Court of the State of California, Case Number TA120749, on or about December 2, 2011.

COUNT	DATE	FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION
THREE	April 24, 2012	One Davis Industries P380 .380 caliber pistol, bearing serial number AP494803; and one Leinad PM12 .380 caliber fully automatic machine gun pistol, bearing an obliterated serial number
FOUR	May 3, 2012	One Ruger Mini-14 semi-automatic rifle, bearing serial number 186-99075; and one Norinco NHM-917 .62 caliber semi-automatic rifle, bearing serial number 9311036
FIVE	June 6, 2012	One Ruger GP-100 revolver, bearing serial number 173-43908; one Norinco SKS 7.62 caliber rifle, bearing serial number 240109187; and four rounds of CBC .357 caliber ammunition

COUNT SIX 1 2 [21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1), 841(b)(1)(C)] 3 On or about November 10, 2011, in Los Angeles County, within the Central District of California, defendant JESSE PEREZ knowingly and 4 5 intentionally distributed approximately 27.6 grams of a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of cocaine base in the form 6 7 of crack cocaine, a Schedule II narcotic drug controlled substance. 8 9 A TRUE BILL 10 11 12 13 STEPHANIE YONEKURA Acting United States Attorney 14 icott Garringer Deputy Chief, Criminal Division For: 15 ROBERT E. DUGDALE 16 Assistant United States Attorney 17 Chief, Criminal Division 18 KEVIN M. LALLY Assistant United States Attorney 19 Chief, Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force Section 20 21 BENJAMIN BARRON Assistant United States Attorney 22 Deputy Chief Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force Section 23 24 25 26

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